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ATTY.'S DOCKET: ZUCKER-FRANKLIN-1A

In re Application of:	Art Unit: 1655
ZUCKER-FRANKLIN, et al.	Examiner: C. WILDER
Serial No.: 09/543,762	Confirmation No. 8307
Filed: April 6, 2000	Washington D.C.
For: ASSAYS FOR HUMAN T-CELL	July 5, 2002
LYMPHOTROPHIC VIRUS	
TYPES I AND II	

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Office Action of  
January 18, 2002, for which a three month extension of  
time to respond is hereby requested, please enter the  
following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 11 as follows:

11. (Amended) A method for screening healthy  
blood donors or potential blood donors for carriers of  
diseases or conditions related to at least one of HTLV-I  
and HTLV-II infections comprising:

testing a sample from a donor or a potential  
donors for the presence of a DNA which encodes the HTLV-I  
tax protein or the HTLV-II tax protein;